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MEMORANDUM FOR THE BOARD OF NATIONAL ESTIMATES

SUBJECT: Proposed Schedule of Soviet Military Estimates for Calendar 1964

- 1. As you are well aware, there are a fair number of requirements for NIE's in the Soviet military and related fields in any given calendar year. They involve a considerable amount of preparation and coordination time on the part of Board, Staff, contributors in and outside of CIA, USIB representatives, and USIB committees. Their scheduling is intricate, partly because of the need to spread the workload over the year and partly because USIB target dates are in many cases keyed to DOD planning cycles and international conference dates.
- 2. For its own convenience, the Staff has worked out a proposed approximate schedule of work on these NIE's for the entire year even though we ordinarily schedule NIE's formally only two quarters ahead. This schedule is attached. We have checked it out informally with our DIA staff colleagues, who find it generally acceptable. Of course, we have neither asked

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for nor received any firm commitment to it from anybody. All things being equal, however, it is the outline of regular work we will have in mind when we participate in formal sessions on NIE scheduling.

3.	Most	of	the	items	are	well	known	and	self-explanatory.

4. Please note that in the remarks column we inadvertently omitted a remark to the effect that timing of 11-14 is keyed to the preparation of

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